Performance of Broad Gauge electric, diesel and steam locomotives

1101. SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE :
SHRI VIREN J. SHAH :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to be state :

(a) what is the cost-wise comparative performance of the Broad Gauge (i) electric (ii) diesel and (iii) steam locomotives and what are the total holdings at presept in each of the three categories;

(b) what percentage of total haulage is shared by each category of the locomotives ; and

(c) what is the inference to increase the efficiency and savings and the follow-up action accordingly ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES) : The relevant information for the year 1988-89 is given below :—

(a) cost per thousand Gross Tonne Kilometres and Holdings :-

Type of Traction	Passnger Traffic B.G. (Rs.) (Provisional)	Goods Traffic B.G. (Rs.) (Provisional)	Holding as on 31-3-89 (No.)
Electric . . .	41.41	23.45	1513
Diesel	33.87	24.58	2665
Steam	140.85	411.61	1958

(b) Traction-wise share of haulage :—

Type of Traction	Passenger	Goods
Electric	33.60	40.29
Diesel	48.69	58.76
Steam	17.71	0.95

(c) Railways have decided to phase out steam locos and replace these with electric and diesel locos as these are more economical.

Setting up of CPWD Office in Jodhpur

1102. SHRI B. L. PANWAR : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to set up an office of the Central Public Works Department at Jodhpur ; and

(b) if so, what is the amount involved for the establishment of the said office ?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.